



October 25, 2004

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45
IP-Enabled Services, WC Docket No. 04-36
Intercarrier Compensation for ISP-Bound Traffic, CC Docket No. 99-68
Implementing the Local Competition Provisions in the 1996 Act,
CC Docket No. 96-98

Dear Ms. Dortch,

This letter is filed pursuant to Commission rules. The Alliance for Rational Intercarrier Compensation ("ARIC") submits the attached intercarrier compensation reform plan, the Fair Affordable Comprehensive Telecom Solution ("FACTS Plan"), for filing in the above dockets. ARIC is a group of rural telecommunications companies that was formed to construct a reasoned, comprehensive framework for telecommunications intercarrier compensation.

ARIC respectfully requests the Commission issue a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to seek comment on the FACTS Plan and to move toward implementation of the plan.

Sincerely,

On Behalf of the Alliance for Rational Intercarrier Compensation

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